

House File 654 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to health care recordkeeping including electronic
2 health records and the use of uniform billing codes.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
4 TLSB 1498YH 82
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1 1 Section 1. Section 217.41A, subsection 3, Code 2007, is
1 2 amended by adding the following new paragraph:
1 3 NEW PARAGRAPH. d. By January 1, 2008, make
1 4 recommendations to the commissioner of insurance regarding
1 5 uniform billing codes for insurers in the state. The
1 6 commissioner of insurance shall consult with the director of
1 7 human services and the director of public health to determine
1 8 the billing codes to be used and shall direct insurers to
1 9 implement the uniform billing code by January 1, 2009.
1 10 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 505.31 UNIFORM BILLING CODES.
1 11 The commissioner of insurance, in consultation with the
1 12 director of human services and the director of public health,
1 13 shall consider the recommendation of the electronic health
1 14 records system task force pursuant to section 217.41A
1 15 regarding the use of uniform billing codes for insurers and
1 16 shall make a determination by April 1, 2008, regarding the
1 17 billing codes to be utilized. Use of the uniform billing
1 18 codes selected shall be implemented by January 1, 2009.
1 19 Sec. 3. CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE == ELECTRONIC HEALTH
1 20 RECORDS. By January 1, 2009, the department of human services
1 21 shall provide for utilization of electronic health records for
1 22 children in foster care in this state. The department shall
1 23 consult with the electronic health records system task force
1 24 created pursuant to section 217.41A in implementing this
1 25 requirement.

EXPLANATION

1 26 This bill relates to health care recordkeeping.
1 27 The bill directs the electronic health records system task
1 28 force to make recommendations by January 1, 2008, to the
1 29 commissioner of insurance regarding uniform billing codes for
1 30 insurers in the state. The commissioner of insurance, in
1 31 consultation with the directors of public health and human
1 32 services, is required to consider the recommendations,
1 33 determine by April 1, 2008, the billing codes to be utilized
1 34 and require use of the uniform billing codes selected by
2 1 January 1, 2009.
2 2 The bill also directs the department of human services to
2 3 provide for the utilization of electronic health records by
2 4 children in foster care. The department is required to
2 5 consult with the electronic health records system task force
2 6 in implementing this requirement.
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